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Gene K. Fong Division Administrator Federal Highway Administration 650 Capitol Mall, Suite 4-100 Sacramento, CA 95814

Attention: Ms. Sue Kiser

Dear Ms. Kiser:

With this letter and pursuant to the authority delegated to me, I approve the following amendment of the Stanislaus Council of Governments' (STANCOG) 2004/05 - 2006/07 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP):

No. Description

11 State and Local Elements

 Modifies the State Transportation Improvement Program Transportation Enhancement Activities lump sum projects. Two projects, the Virginia Corridor Greenway pilot project, PPNO 0019A, approved by the California Transportation Commission, December 2005, and the Hughson Avenue project, PPNO 0019B, approved the California Transportation Commission, March 2006. See Enclosure.

I am also recommending that the Federal Highway Administration approve this FTIP Amendment No. 11 for inclusion into California's 2004/05 - 2006/07 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP). Projects included in this FTIP, in fiscal years not within the three-year cycle of the current FSTIP, are not approved as part of this FTIP Amendment and are shown for information only.

The changes being proposed to the FTIP by this amendment have been found by STANCOG as exempt and do not require conformity analysis or determination. Therefore, this FTIP Amendment is consistent with the State Implementation Plan. The financial impacts of this amendment are compatible with anticipated revenues in the FSTIP Financial Plan and do not significantly affect the overall financial analysis.

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In accordance with existing law, public involvement procedures are a part of the project selection process. STANCOG prepared this FTIP Amendment under that process permitting citizens, affected local agencies, other public agencies, and other interested parties reasonable opportunity for comment.

Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Cathy Gomes, of my staff, at (916) 654-3271.

Sincerely,

ROSS A. CHITTENDEN

Chief

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Enclosures

c: Karina O'Connor - EPA Office of Air Planning (w/enclosure) Bruce Abanathie - Stanislaus Council of Governments Rachel Falsetti - Caltrans Cathy Gomes - Caltrans Mr. Gene K Fong February 28, 2006 Page 2

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Programming Files

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